

Michael F. Easley Governor

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GOV. EASLEY REAPPOINTS THOMPSON AND APPOINTS BURGIN TO CENTER FOR PUBLIC TELEVISION BOARD

Raleigh - Gov. Mike Easley has reappointed **Bruce Thompson** of Raleigh and appointed **Bob Burgin** of Asheville to the University of North Carolina Center for Public Television Board of Trustees.

Thompson is a partner with Parker, Poe, Adams and Bernstein in Raleigh. He is the past board chair for Artspace. Thompson received his Bachelor's degree in religion from Wake Forest University and his law degree from Wake Forest University School of Law.

Burgin is a retired president and CEO of Mission Hospitals in Asheville. Burgin is a chairman of the North Carolina Hospital Association and chairman of the Asheville Area Chamber of Commerce. Burgin also is a member the Western Carolina University Board of Trustees. He received the NAACP's President's Award in 2000 and was named a Most Outstanding Life Member by the North Carolina Hospital Association in 1996. Burgin received his Bachelor's degree in history and economics from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio and his Master's degree in health administration from the University of Michigan.

The board reviews operation of the UNC-TV network and advises the president and UNC Board of Governors on programming and operations. The board has 22 members, each serving a four-year term. The governor appoints four members. The Speaker of the House and the Senate President Pro Tem appoint one member each. Eleven members are appointed by the UNC system Board of Governors. The secretary of the Department of Cultural Resources, the secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, the superintendent of Public Instruction, the president of the UNC system and the president of the community college system also serve on the board.

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